First Paper Topic Philosophy 175 Winter, 2019

Your paper should be a bit more than three pages in length. All claims about Kant's views must be documented using page references to the text (either page numbers in the translations or the marginal numbers). Be sure to give an account in your own words of all the relevant technical terminology from Kant.

The main text should be the *Critique of Pure Reason*, Introduction (Second Edition) IV, "On the Distinction between Analytic and Synthetic Judgments" (pp. 51-55, A6/B11-A10/B14). See also the *Prolegomena*, Preamble, §2, "Concerning the Kind of Cognition which Can Alone Be Called Metaphysical" (pp. 9-14, Ak 4:265-274).

How did Kant distinguish between synthetic *a priori* judgments from synthetic *a posteriori* (empirical) judgments and analytic *a priori* judgments? Give examples of each kind of judgment. Why did he think that this distinction is important?

Due: February 6, in class